

Kansas State Extension Advisory Council
August 20, 2010

The Kansas State Extension Advisory Council met Friday August 20, 2010 at the Sedgwick County Extension Office, 7001 W. 21st St. N, Wichita, KS.

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 am by Chair Jerry Dreher. Members and Staff introduced themselves.

Members Present: Jerry Dreher, Janell Harmon, Brad Fuller Larry Dolci, Mary Bernhardt, Jerry Hall, Dan Johnson, Bryan Brauer, Aaron Wolff, Tresa Jones, Gary Price, Andy Sramek, John Kramer, Tim Dainty, Carolyn Harms, Steve Long, Jay Weseloh, Kelly Overmiller, Larry Turner and Susan Bloom.

KSU Administrators Present: Daryl Buchholz, Jim Lindquist, Paula Peters, Phil Sloderbeck, Dale Fjell, Chris Onstad, Pat Murphy, Margaret Phillips and Stacy Warner.

A welcome was given by Jerry Dreher.

Members reviewed the February 15, 2010 minutes and financial reports. It was moved by Gary Price and seconded by Mary Bernhardt to approve the minutes. The motion passed. It was moved by Jerry Hall and seconded by Jay Weseloh to approve the financial report. The motion passed.

Updates from K-State Research and Extension were given by Daryl Buchholz.

Board Recognition Task Force Report

An overview of the process used to develop the draft report was presented. The council divided into small groups to discuss the document. There was much discussion concerning the implementation of the document. The board agreed that the document would be a good tool for self-evaluation of county and district boards. Carolyn Harms moved that the Board Recognition Task Force committee would take comments from this meeting and make adjustments. The updated document will be sent to all members of the SEAC board with the document to be released as a pilot program at the Partnership meetings in 2011. It was seconded by Bryan Brauer. The motion passed.

Local Budget Experiences and Outlook (Area Director Reports)

Chris Onstad, Dale Fjell, Phil Sloderbeck and Jim Lindquist all reported that county and district budgets varied widely with some counties receiving modest increases and others received decreases. Four new districts were formed July 1, 2010 with districting discussions ongoing in other counties.

Focused Programming and Evaluation Support (Asst. Director Reports)

Pat Murphy reported that extension is forming partnerships with other agencies to help fund and consolidate programs. The use of technology to deliver programming such as holding meetings in several locations at one time and the use of specialized websites such as those for hort and ag econ is on the rise. The development of volunteers in the ag field is also on the rise.

Paula Peters reported that the government has mandated 4-H programs in all US military bases and that K-State is the national coordinator for those programs. An extension office is located in Fort Riley. She presented the Team Action Plans. Public value statements are included in those plans. While these are state plans, they can be fine-tuned for use in particular local communities. Agents will provide impact reports that will be posted on the website and there is more use of online program reporting and performance reviews.

Daryl Buchholz gave the 4-H report in the absence of Pat McNally. There will be a conference called Engaging Volunteers in New Ways at Rock Springs in November to cultivate volunteers, not only for 4-H but in all program areas. It was noted that council member Mary Bernhardt will receive the North Central Region volunteer award which is a national award and is the first Kansan to receive the award. Congratulations to Mary!

New District Development including 4-H in District Documents

Daryl Buchholz presented new publications prepared by KSRE staff relating to district 4-H programs. There was much discussion concerning the development of district wide 4-H programs. Council members also shared their experiences with the formation of districts in their areas.

Public Issues Leadership Development (PILD) Conference Overview

Carolyn Harms, Bryan Brauer, Gary Price and Jay Weseloh talked about their experiences attending the PILD conference in April. All agreed the conference is extremely rewarding and expressed their appreciation to the board for the opportunity to attend.

Potential Participants for 2011 PILD Conference

The next PILD meeting will be April 3-6, 2011. Council members who have not attended the conference and would like to attend are to contact Daryl Buchholz as soon as possible to begin making arrangements.

Business Meeting

The nominating report was given by John Kramer who presented the following slate of officers:

Chair – Brad Fuller

Chair-elect - Steve Long

Secretary - Tresa Jones

Treasurer - Bryan Brauer

Gary Price moved and Mary Bernhardt seconded to accept the slate of officers. The motion passed.

Plans for SEAC visit with Legislature in 2011

Daryl Buchholz reported that the tentative dates for the winter meeting in Topeka are February 21- 22, 2011 which will coincide with Citizenship in Action.

Other Business

Jerry Dreher thanked the outgoing council members: Brad Fuller, Andy Sramek, John Kramer and Larry Turner for their service to the council. Jerry Dreher is also an outgoing member.

With no other business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tresa Jones
Secretary